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COUNTRY Poland REPORT [REDACTED]

SUBJECT Port Information: Stettin DATE DISTR. 31 Jan 60  
*(Shipyard Activity; Security Measures; Basin Elevator; Keyed Hydrographic Chart)* NO. PAGES 4  
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5. Merchant Vessels [REDACTED] a Polish merchant vessel  
 loading Czechoslovakian manufactured Skoda automobiles [REDACTED]  
 the vessel was a coal burning type evidenced by the coal  
 on her decks, [REDACTED]  
 steam-driven Polish merchant vessel [REDACTED]  
 loading [REDACTED]  
 general cargo, which included steel plates [REDACTED]  
 the general cargo crates indicate they had been shipped from Hungary and  
 Czechoslovakia. A small [REDACTED] coaster was berthed [REDACTED] but was  
 not engaged in cargo operations. Two East German "Rhine River barges" of [REDACTED]

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800-2000 tons were [ ] loading "peas" for East Germany at the grain elevator [ ] Both barges were diesel-powered, self-propelled vessels.

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6. Naval Vessels [ ] eight Polish minesweepers engaged in minesweeping exercises the area due north of the anchorage. [ ] the vessels maneuvered in a column formation at a range of 140' and a speed of seven knots. Each minesweeper trailed a cable about 60 or 70' in length [ ]

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[ ] The vessels were all grey painted, appeared to be in "good" material condition, and maneuvered smartly. Two minesweepers were also [ ] operating together in a line abreast formation in the same area. Both trailed the same type gear as mentioned above, but they operated independently from the other minesweepers. At Swinemunde several Soviet MTB's and MSF's [ ] Two destroyers identified as Riga's were berthed [ ] In the basin [ ] several "motor boats" without torpedo tubes. Eighteen Soviet and Polish MTB's were berthed in the Winter Harbor [ ] Three MTB's were beached bow in [ ] On the west bank of the Oder [ ] a former yacht basin now serves as a small Polish naval base. [ ] several MTB's and MSF's berthed at this base.

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7. Shipyards [ ] Stocznia Szczecinska shipyard is located on the west bank of the Oder River and runs north from a point directly across from the north end of the grain elevator to a position near the junction of the Oder and MOLLNFAHRT. Looking northwesterly from vessel's berth at the grain elevator, [ ] six new merchant vessels at the fitting-out berths along the Oder and two vessels under construction in the slips located at the north end of the shipyard. [ ] two of the vessels being fitted out as six thousand gross ton "open shelter deck" types with two inverted "Y" kingposts forward, and one aft; three holds forward and two holds aft: [ ]

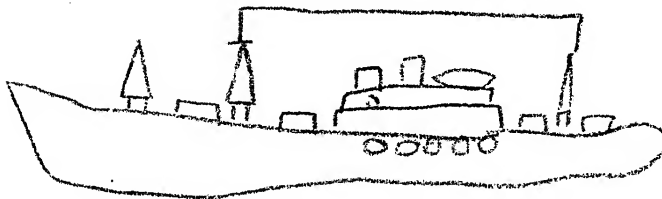
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[ ] the "hatches" for these two vessels being placed on board by cranes at the fitting-out berths. (Sketch of vessel [ ])

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[ ] the other four vessels which are being fitted out [ ] similar to the "Krynica class" vessels with four hatches forward and one aft and a diesel power plant. One of these vessels, the CABO ORANGE, [ ] was launched in December 1958, is near completion and is the only vessel in the shipyard on which overtime work is performed. All

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six vessels were unpainted and rusty. The two vessels [ ] in the building slips were [ ] "Krynica class" ships which [ ] could be launched in one and a half months under normal working conditions. The only work [ ] on the two vessels was the activity of two 10-25 ton "German made cranes" which were operating in unison positioning heavy equipment. Only one five-ton crane is located at each fitting out berth and [ ] a "large" floating crane being used at one berth to load a piece of heavy equipment. The work day begins at 0600 daily and ends at 1800 with no work on Sundays. Women were [ ] working in the yard and aboard the ships. [ ] the shipyard appeared to be inefficient, poorly organized, and slow probably due to the scarcity of construction materials and poor management.

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[ ] all spare radar parts used by this shipyard are stored in a warehouse in Gdynia and as a result of a recent fire over half of all the spare parts were destroyed,

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9. Grain Elevator Vessel berthed at the grain elevator [ ]

[ ] commenced discharging 10 thousand long tons [ ] wheat via two pneumatic sucker tubes. Cargo operations were continued around the clock, except Sunday, with cargo operations being completed at 1400

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[ ] the grain elevator was constructed prior to World War II by "Hitler" and is made of German manufactured equipment. All motors and engines at the elevator are of Siemens-Schuckert Werke manufacture although [ ] all name plates have been removed.

[ ] World War II damage to the elevator has never been repaired, broken windows are numerous, and the general state of condition of the elevator equipment is poor.

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[ ] Stevedores worked three shifts daily in gangs of 12 each. The first shift worked 0715-1445, the second 1500-2215, and the third 2230-0630. Sunday work commenced at 2200. The stevedores were described as being "good workers."

10. Miscellaneous Matters

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b. Crew members of the East German barges mentioned in paragraph five above were not allowed ashore in subject port.

c. [ ] foreign merchant vessels are not permitted to transit the Oder between designators [ ]

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